

Michigan Supreme Court

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 17, 2015

TO: Judges

cc: Court Administrators

Probate Registers County Clerks

Case Management System Vendors

FROM: Milton L. Mack, Jr., State Court Administrator

RE: E-Filing Approved by Michigan Legislature

Good news! Legislation authorizing statewide e-filing has been approved by the Michigan Legislature. When Governor Snyder signs the bills, Michigan courts will take an historic step forward in our efforts to implement technology solutions that increase efficiency and improve service to the public.

While the bills are effective January 1, 2016, please note that not all the fees that fund the new system go into effect on that date. In fact, we heard your concerns regarding the effective date of the electronic filing system (EFS) fee and moved quickly to have the legislation altered before completion. As a result, the EFS fee is effective March 1, 2016.

Please see the previous <u>memo</u> from Trial Court Services with all the details regarding the e-filing package, but note the change in the EFS fee effective date, as indicated above.

SCAO will soon be distributing a Frequently Asked Questions document that will address your questions about how e-filing will be implemented in courts statewide.

Questions regarding the treasury transmittal process should be directed to Becky Mack at MackB@courts.mi.gov or 517-373-2342.

Questions regarding cash codes should be directed to your case management system vendor. JIS will advise its courts about how to accommodate the collection of this fee.

Questions regarding the legislation may be directed to Jennifer Warner at TrialCourtServices@courts.mi.gov or 517-373-7496.